**Introductions & Conclusions**

**Introduction**

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| Start by doing one of the following things:   |  | | --- | | * Provide background * Ask a question * Relate an interesting story * Use a vivid quotation * Offer a surprising statistic * Outline a problem or dilemma * Define a word central to your subject * Start with a general point and get more specific * Challenge a commonly held idea | |  |
| Sum up your overall answer to the question in one or two statements or provide a brief summary of your statement. |  |
| State your thesis. |  |

**Conclusion**

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| Restate you thesis, but try to say it a little differently. |  |
| Restate the main points you provided in the body of the paper - evaluate how and to what extent the evidence you presented supported that  Statement. |  |
| Use a good strategy. |  |